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In Re Application of: Masahito Application No.: 09/000,366

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For: METHOD FOR THAWING GROUND FISH MEATS

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a [XX] REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
- No additional fee is required. 1
- The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL	* 16	MINUS	** 20	0			
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	SMALL ENTITY					
		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE			
	×	25	\$			
	x	100	\$			
	+	180	\$			
ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL			\$			

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL RATE 50 200 \$ 360 \$ TOTAL

- If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
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Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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nnection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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